

tactical or readily available fuels, this first phase of qualifying will place a next generation power generator in a military environment while showcasing all the benefits (monetary, environmental, and technical) this technology can provide within various scenarios, such as "Silent Camp" or "Islanding."

RECOGNIZING E'LEESE MADGETT  
MANRIQUE FOR HER SERVICE TO  
OUR NATION'S MILITARY VET-  
ERANS

**HON. MICHELE BACHMANN**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 5, 2008*

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a truly special American patriot. This particular American hasn't served overseas defending our freedom and liberty, nor has she dedicated her life to serving her fellow man through charity. However, I'm certain that later in life she'll be able to reflect on her accomplishments and truly realize the impact she has made on so many lives.

Madam Speaker, this patriot's name is E'leese Madgett Manrique, and she is a 12-year-old girl from Buffalo, Minnesota. I call attention to her today because on June 7, she will embark on a mission in honor of our military veterans.

To show her support for our military personnel and their families, she will be leaving the Buffalo Rodeo Grounds on her horse "Chip" at noon this Saturday, and will ride her horse for the next 86 days throughout Minnesota to raise money for a ranch to support our military veterans. Her vision is to create a place where any soldier in need of a place to heal can go for free.

To paint a clearer picture of what "The Ranch" will look like, I'll let E'leese tell you in her own words:

The Ranch will not be fancy, in fact it will be humble. Just like the men and women that serve their country. Here in Minnesota we have a very good life. People in Minnesota have a long tradition of service and volunteering. Neighbor helping neighbor. The Ranch will be a number of cabins surrounding a lodge and dining room. Soldiers can spend the day lounging around. Taking a walk, going for a swim, or taking a horse out for a ride. Do ranch chores or relax, read a book, or have a good conversation, be our guest. For those who do so much for others, we thank you.

E'leese, we thank you. At the tender of age 12, you are displaying more respect, love, and caring than many folks do in a lifetime. As you start your trip this Saturday, know that you have the prayers and support of Minnesota and Americans across the country. We are all proud of you E'leese, and your selflessness is an inspiration to us all. May God bless you on your journey, and we look forward to your safe return.

TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF KTVB-TV,  
BOISE, IDAHO

**HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON**

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 5, 2008*

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to KTVB-TV in Boise, Idaho. KTVB-TV was recently recognized by the National Association of Broadcasters Education Foundation as the 2008 Friend in Need Television Award recipient for its efforts to end methamphetamine abuse in Idaho.

In March 2007, the KTVB News Group dedicated 100 percent of its public services resources to the "March Against Meth" campaign. This month-long, statewide campaign aimed to stop meth use by educating adults and children about the dangers of methamphetamines. As part of the campaign, KTVB-TV produced an award-winning primetime documentary called "Life or Meth," which played in the homes of families throughout southern Idaho. Within 60 days, 90 percent of the households in southwestern Idaho heard the anti-meth awareness message at least seven times.

Meth is one of the most dangerous substances available on the illegal drug market and has a devastating impact on individuals, families, the environment, and society. My home State of Idaho has the dubious distinction of ranking fifth on the list of States with the highest rates of meth use in the country. Combating the growth of meth use in Idaho has become a top priority for me, but it is clear that winning the war against this epidemic will require a partnership between public and private organizations, individuals, and families in our State and across the country. I am so pleased that KTVB-TV has taken up this fight.

Education about the destructive effects of meth use on individuals and communities is key to ending meth use in Idaho and across the Nation, and I am proud that KTVB-TV's efforts to communicate these dangers to Idaho families have been recognized. It is my honor to work with this company and the dedicated employees at KTVB-TV to make our community a better place to live.

RECOGNIZING THE ABILITYONE  
PROGRAM AND THE ARC OF HILO

**HON. MAZIE K. HIRONO**

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 5, 2008*

Ms. HIRONO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the AbilityOne Program, formerly known as the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program, which focuses on job skills and training for more than 48,000 Americans who are blind or who have other severe disabilities.

Last year, I visited the clients and staff of the Arc of Hilo, one of the community partners of the AbilityOne Program in my district. The Arc of Hilo strives to improve the quality of life for people with developmental or other disabilities through educational, recreational, vocational, and skills training as well as employment and residential opportunities. Through these programs, the Arc of Hilo is able to re-

duce incidents of depression, poor health, isolation, exclusion, discrimination, poverty, and substance abuse among this vulnerable population.

The AbilityOne Program allows individuals, like the clients of the Arc of Hilo, to enjoy full participation in our communities. It is an invaluable program.

I would also like to recognize and thank Michael Gleason, the president and CEO of the Arc of Hilo, and his staff, for their dedication to serving the needs of their clients, as well as the clients themselves for their hard work and contribution to our greater society.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SYRACUSE  
UNIVERSITY MEN'S LA-  
CROSSE TEAM

**HON. JAMES T. WALSH**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 5, 2008*

Mr. WALSH of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Syracuse University Men's Lacrosse team, 2008 Division I NCAA National Champions. With their 13-10 victory over Johns Hopkins University on May 26, 2008, the Syracuse Orange won a record 10th National Championship.

The Syracuse Orange had an outstanding season, finishing with an impressive record of 16-2 with a perfect record at home. Their 16 wins ties a school record for most wins in a single season. Syracuse's championship season is especially amazing considering that the team went from a losing season last year, which resulted in missing the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1982, to winning the national title just one season later. The team had four players named to the 2008 All-Tournament team. Additionally, Steven Brooks and Mike Leveille of the Orange were named to the 2008 first-team All America. Mike Leveille was also named the winner of the 2008 Tewaarton Trophy, distinguishing him as the player of the year in men's college lacrosse.

On behalf of the people of the 25th district of New York, I congratulate Head Coach John Desko, Assistant Coaches Lelan Rogers, Roy Simmons III, Kevin Donahue and the players of the Syracuse University Men's Lacrosse Team:

Nate Tucker, Pat Perritt, Peter Coluccini, Matt Abbott, Jack Harmatuk, Max Bartig, Nathan Farabee, Al Cavalieri.

Jake Moulton, Josh Amidon, Kenny Nims, Joel White, Spencer Van Schaack, Steve Babes, Chris Daniello, John Galloway.

Tim Desko, John Carrozza, Matt Tierney, Mike Leveille, Greg Niewieroski, Mike MacDonald, Dan Hardy, Jovan Miller.

Brendan Loftus, John Mecionis, Joe Coulter, Lincoln Cavalieri, Stephen Keogh, Derek Philipiak, Blair Koontz, Evan Brady.

Tim Harder, Sid Smith, Thomas Guadagnolo, Sean McGonigle, Jay Shaw, Tyler Hiawati, Josh Knight, TJ Murphy.

Danny Brennan, Jeff Gilbert, Kyle Guadagnolo, Brandon Conlin, Steven Brooks, Pat Nemes, Alex Giocondi, Anthony Bucco, Gavin Jenkinson.